GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
LOK SABHA

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Illegal Timber Trade
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan to check illegal timber trade in the forest areas and if so, the details thereof;
(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and
(c) the details of the time frame and the plan outlay for the aforesaid plan, if any?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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(a) to (c) The primary responsibility of protection and management of forests lies with respective State/UT Governments. The State Governments take various measures for protection of forests such as survey & demarcation, patrolling, erection of check posts, use of information and communication technologies etc. Further, action against forest offences including illegal felling and trade is taken under extant Acts and Rules.

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